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Pete Stevenson U.S. EPA 999 18<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 300 Denver, CO 80202-2466 Andy Lensink U.S. EPA 999 18<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 300 Denver, CO 80202-2466

Dear Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Lensink,

The construction plans and cost estimates enclosed with this letter detail the scope and specific work that is intended to be conducted under the Pacific Mine Reclamation Project. I am providing them to you for your review and comment. They may be of use to you as we continue work on the Administrative Order on Consent along with the Plan of Work that I sent to you last week via email.

As you know Trout Unlimited has received authorization to spend up to \$45,000 to initiate this work in American Fork Canyon in 2005 utilizing funds from the Natural Resource Conservation Service. The agreement for use of those funds has been signed by TU and returned to NRCS for execution. The intent in 2005 is to perform that portion of the work that can be done without disturbing any potentially contaminated mine and mill waste deposits. The cost estimate for Stage 1 lays out that part of the work. It includes the purchase of some materials that will be used during the construction of the repository in Stage 2. We feel we can implement Stage 1 independent from the future work and ask for your consideration in structuring this project in stages.

The funding agreement with NRCS includes provisions allowing the expenditure of the \$45,000 in 2005 and in 2006. With an estimate of about \$20,500 for the work is Stage 1 there remains another \$24,500 available for Stage 2. TU is exploring opportunities to obtain the additional funds needed for Stage 2. We are confident that the full amount needed to implement Stage 2 will be available in 2006, if not before.

Stage 3 of the project is work that has been approved by a Forest Service Decision Memo under NEPA in 2001 and an MOU with TU in 2004. That work is not intended as part of the CERCLA action under the AOC but will be completed as part of the overall project in American Fork Canyon while equipment is on site. The NRCS funding that has been provided for this project cannot be used for work on Federal lands and thus cannot be used to perform Stage 3. Other funds will be needed to do that work.

After you have looked over the plans and estimates I would like to talk to you about specific design features of this project. I could come to your office for that discussion at a time convenient for both of you as we get closer to completion of the AOC.

I should point out that each of the plan sheets were prepared in various colors. Because of the high cost of reproducing colored sheets and since the drawings enclosed are subject to change, I have reproduced some of the plan sheets in black ink only. The final, approved drawings you will receive will be in color on each sheet.

Sincerely,

Ted V. Fitzgerald

AFC Project Manager

cc: Jim Baker, Snowbird Corp

Chris Wood and Others, Trout Unlimited